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-Workshop Notice-

May 20, 2003

Water Use Efficiency (WUE) Program Agricultural Water Use Measurement Workshop

Meeting Dates and Locations

June 4, 2003
Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District Office
344 East Laurel Street
Willows, CA 95988

June 5, 2003
King's River Water Association
4888 East Jensen Avenue
Fresno, CA 93725

Background:

The California Bay Delta Program is a cooperative effort among State and Federal agencies and the public to ensure a healthy ecosystem, reliable water supplies, good quality water, and stable levees in California's Bay-Delta system. The Water Use Efficiency (WUE) Program is one of several Program elements CALFED is implementing through an integrated approach. The August 2000 CALFED Record of Decision called for the Water Use Efficiency Program to develop a definition of appropriate water use measurement and then work with the California Legislature to implement any necessary changes. The WUE Program has convened an Independent Review Panel to help it define appropriate measurement as it relates to agricultural water use.

Workshop Purpose:

CALFED is convening two identical workshops to present to the public a draft definition of appropriate agricultural water use measurement to be considered by the Independent Review Panel during its final set of deliberations in June 2003. The draft definition is to include recommendations related to the appropriate measurement of surface water diversions and return flows, groundwater, crop consumption, in-stream flows, water quality and farm-gate turnouts. The two workshops offer the public an important opportunity to comment on the draft definitions and the associated technical analysis. Public comments will be summarized and presented to the Panel to inform its final deliberations.

Workshop Agenda (*times are approximate and subject to change*):

	Willows 6/4/03	Fresno 6/5/03
1. Welcome, Introductions and Agenda Overview	1:00 pm	9:00 am
2. Background: Appropriate Measurement Task	1:10 pm	9:10 am
• CALFED Bay-Delta Program Overview		
• WUE Overview		
• Appropriate Measurement Task Overview		
3. Presentation: Draft Definition of Ag Water Use Measurement	1:40 pm	9:40 am
• Brief Overview of Analytic Approach		
• Summary of Draft Definition		
4. Public Comment and Discussion	2:40 pm	10:40 am
5. Wrap Up and Next Steps	3:40 pm	11:40 am
6. Adjourn	4:00 pm	12:00 pm

For More Information:

- Workshop materials may be accessed during the week of May 26 on the World Wide Web at <http://calwater.ca.gov/Programs/WaterUseEfficiency/WaterUseEfficiency.shtml>
- Directions: If you need detailed directions or other information related to either of these workshops, please contact Hilda Smith at (916) 445-5461.
- If you need reasonable accommodation due to a disability, please contact Pauline Nevins, of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program at (916) 445-5511 or TDD (800) 735-2929.

CALFED Agencies

California

The Resources Agency
Department of Water Resources
Department of Fish and Game
The Reclamation Board
Delta Protection Commission
Department of Conservation
San Francisco Bay Conservation
and Development Commission

California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board
Department of Health Services
Department of Food and Agriculture

Federal

Department of the Interior
Bureau of Reclamation
Fish and Wildlife Service
Geological Survey
Bureau of Land Management
Environmental Protection Agency
Army Corps of Engineers

Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service
Forest Service
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service
Western Area Power Administration